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MESSAGE ADDRESSED TO NAME NO. 59 IN MOSCOW (1942)

From: STOCKHOLM

To: MOSCOW

No: 220

4 Feb. 42

To [Name No. 59.]⁽¹⁾

1. Information received from Swedish sailors: [a]

(a) In STETTIN there are at present:-

- a cruiser with a displacement of approximately 7,000 tons,
- 6 destroyers with an average displacement of between 1,000 and 1,500 tons,
- 4 medium submarines.

(b) In LIBAVA [b] there is at present a motor torpedo boat squadron [Bd N.B.] consisting of about 24 motor torpedo boats.

2. [4 groups unrecovered] in BERGEN the areas delimited by [the following] (c) co-ordinates, are declared closed to shipping:

- 59° 57'5. 5° 16' the northern extremity of FONDØ⁽ⁱⁱ⁾
- 59° 59'2. 5° 16'4.
- 59° 59'7. 5° 16'7.
- 59° 59'8. 5° 16'8.

[4 groups unrecovered].

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59° 58'9, 5° 19'5 the northern extremity of STORD⁽¹⁵⁾ [1 group unrecovered] up to 59° 57'6, 5° 17'6

[15 groups unrecovered]

[36 groups unrecoverable]

OS⁽ⁱⁱⁱ⁾ 60° 11'1, 5° 28'8, Vessels passing close [to them] must

[15 groups unrecovered]

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(Name No. 64)^(iv)

Notes: [a] Or "a Swedish sailor"

[b] LISFAYA/LISNU

[c] Inserted by translator.

Comments: [i] Name No. 59 : After August 1942, this is thought to be Capt. Aleksei TARADIN, Soviet Naval Attache in STOCKHOLM 10.8.42 - 23.9.45. This is the only recorded instance of Name No. 59 in MOSCOW.

[ii] FONDÖ and STORD : Islands on the southern side of SELBJÖRN FJORD, NORWAY.

[iii] OS : A town on the mainland south of BERGEN, and on the west side of FUSE FJORD, NORWAY.

[iv] Name No. 64 : Probably Aleksandr PAVLOV, Tass correspondent in SWEDEN 19.11.39 - 12.8.44.